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## As the Editor Sees It.

The money this government loaned to foreign governments during the war came from the pockets of the people in the form of taxes. It was the people's money. Now the same old insidious lobby is at work again in Washington in an effort to "educate" the people up to the idea of canceling those ten or eleven billions of dollars in debts the allied governments owe to us. It is time for the press of the country to serve plain and unmistakable notice on the government and congress that the people of this country will not stand for a wholesale filching of their hard earned funds.

If the president and congress are sincere in their professed desire to serve the people they will take no such action without first submitting the question to a referendum vote of all of the people. It is safe to predict what the result of such a vote would be.

If the nations of the old world are in need of a helping hand this country should extend it to the extent of its ability without material injury to itself. That can be done in the way extending the payment of the debts owed to us over a long period of years, even to foregoing the collection of interest for a number of years—provided the people on the other side quit squandering what they have in preparing for another war—and go to work. If the governments of the old world will make a study of the golden rule and apply it to their daily life there will be little need of armies and navies and the vast expenditures they entail. We suggest that they quit serving the devil for a while and give the Lord a chance to look in. Then in time they will become prosperous again and will be able to pay their debts without working an unnecessary hardship upon any one.

Are you, by chance, worrying over that "terrible thirst?" Drink a glass of water. In fifteen minutes drink another. Keep on drinking until you have consumed at least two quarts in the run of the day. It

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won't harm you, and it will do you a lot of good. As you become accustomed to large quantities of water you will gradually lose that thirst for something stronger. In time you may even be able to grin at the other fellow with that long and furtive look on his countenance. Then, too, the more water you drink the less medicine you will need. It is the greatest of all aids to indigestion or constipation.

Make it a jolly Christmas and don't worry over the bills. They won't come due until next year. That sounds a long way off, whether it is or not. Browse around town and look into the stores. You may be surprised at some of the things you find. Make the most of Christmas. We won't have another one this year.

## Here's to "Mark Antony" Camblos.

Among the literary lights of the Norton Kiwanis Club is our friend, "Mark Antony" Camblos, the attorney. On occasions requiring snappy wit and enlivening humor, the club calls upon its president to dope up fitting remarks. "Mark Antony," so dubbed because of his oratorical proclivities, delves into encyclopedias, Lays of Ancient Rome, Ancient Archaeology, Paradise Never Was, Cicero, Mortus Papryus, and various other sources of information needed in this present day, and comes forth with a spiel that convulses his hearers.

"Mark Antony" knows all the humorous incidents in Biblical and secular history, it seems, and if any incident strikes him as having unnecessary mention he lights upon it with the dry wit of a Mark Twain. His Thanksgiving essay entitled "The Origin of Turkey," read Tuesday at the club, was a dinner-settling dose of riotous humor and satirical wit.

As a toastmaster Camblos is handy with the banquet extravaganza. Miss Media Shaw's specially chosen musicians and singers he introduces on the program as "Miss Shaw's Broadway Troupe, who were the sensation in New York for 365 nights." Kemp he introduced as the artist who would render a "Basement Profundo Solo."

One can imagine Camblos in

his college days flaying his opponents in oratorical debates and enthraling the Ciceronians of the literary society with his matchless metaphors and glib come-backs in rebuttal! And the Catalines? It is easy to picture these skulking across the back of the platform as he belabored them. As in those days he probably entertained his fellows, so now he delights his fellow club members and his fellow citizens. Permeating all his discourses in the Lighter Vein, however, is the heaven of common sense and everyday wisdom. And this is what marks the doings of the Kiwanis Club—it transacts business and has fun at the same time.—Crawford's Weekly.

## Stop! Look! Listen!!!

The interest in the devotional meetings of the Epworth League is increasing. There were sixty one present Sunday night and the program led by Pat Youell and Bascom Taylor was very helpful and instructive. Next Sunday night the meeting will be led by Miss Minnie Hostwick, red flag meeting "Lost We Forget."

Our boys made the sacrifice to save America from the dreaded foe. Young people stop! look! listen!!! what sacrifice are you making to save any one from the dreaded foe of sin? Each one is needed in this great battle. The general of our army never fails us. As privates in the ranks in this great army are we filling our place in the battle line?

"God of our fathers known of old,  
Lord of our far-flung battle line,  
Beneath whose awful hand we hold  
Dominion over pain and sin,  
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,  
Lest we forget, lest we forget!"

## Theatrical.

Norma Talmadge, in her latest Associated First National release, "The Sign on the Door," will be the attraction extraordinary at the Amuzu Theatre Thursday.

"The Sign on the Door" is a screen adaptation of Channing Pollock's stage play of the same name which enjoyed a long and highly successful run on Broadway with Marjorie Rambeau in the leading part.

The scenario was prepared by Mary Murillo and Herbert Brenon. Mr. Brenon also directed the production, in which Miss Talmadge has a supporting cast of unusual excellence.

In the stellar role of Mrs. "Lafe" Regan, pretty young wife of a man of wealth and high standing, who becomes involved in a tragic situation as a result of an innocent affair before her marriage, Miss Talmadge has a part which gives her historic ability a wide range of opportunity.

Prominent in the cast are Charles Richman as "Lafe" Regan, Lew Cody, as Frank Devereaux, Helen Weir as Helen Regan, Paul McAllister as the District Attorney, and Robert Agnew as Alan Churchill.

Other well known players who appear in support of Miss Talmadge are: David Proctor, Augustus Balfour, Mack Barnes, Martinie Burnley, Lew Hendricks and Walter Russell.

Scenes for "The Sign on the Door" were filmed at Palm Beach and New York. The production is said to be one of the most elaborate and interesting yet produced at the Norma Talmadge studio.—adv.

When a woman marries a man for his money only to find that he has married her for the same reason they ought to live happily in their mutual revenge.

The days of wars are not over for the simple reason that the days of man are still here.

Optimistic reports continue to float out from the arms conference, but up to date none of them appear to have exactly fit.

Evidently the government of Bavaria is hungry, since it is arranging to punish all heavy eaters. The eaters ought to let the government fill up first.

After reading all of the varied reports that are being sent out from Washington one's point of view seems to be conspicuous for its lack of a point.

When the average college graduate returns home with his sheepskin in his hand he is prepared to revolutionize the world. But if dad is wise he begins the revolution first.

The person who talks without thinking is not always to be censured. There is a height to which some brains cannot ascend.



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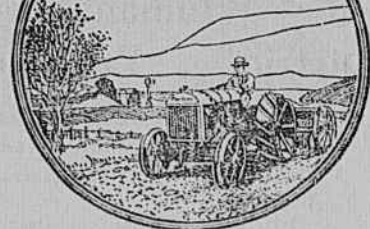
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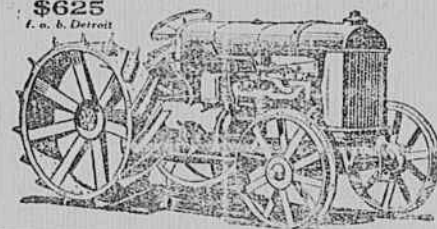
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